

A STORY OF REAL LIFE

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Strange incidents have brought about marriages, but the strangest of all was that which served to unite me and my wife. If I hadn't opened a certain book on a certain day I should either have remained a bachelor or married some one else. Had I opened that same book a day earlier there would have been no such effect. I could not have opened it a day later, for I have never since been in the room where it was kept.

I was at the time curate of a church in a small but aristocratic town. My salary was \$600 a year. I had heard stories of girls setting their caps for unmarried clergymen, but I saw no evidence of the truth of these stories in my own case. Most of the girls of the congregation were daughters of well to do, some of them rich, parents. Whether the girls did not encourage me because they were aware that I had nothing but my salary or because I was not especially attractive to them I don't know. The fact remains that I was not encouraged.

I thought at the time that my sermons were a trifle too heavy for their intellects. I was given to philosophic thought, and my thoughts found a vent in my homilies. I could see from the want of attention of these girls when I was preaching that they were thinking of the set of their garments, the appearance of their hats and such matters rather than of the ideas I was endeavoring to convey to them.

But there was one young lady whom I noticed fixed her attention upon me from the time I began to speak until I had finished. I would have been at a loss to know whether her interest was in my remarks or me had she not the moment I had concluded my sermon turned to her hymn book or her pocket-book for the collection, seeming to forget all about me. As she was the only young lady in the church with a fortune in her own right I never dreamed of marrying her, though she was rather good looking and a very estimable person.

Of course I had the entire to her home, and many a pleasant evening or afternoon I spent with her chatting upon subjects that were agreeable to me and seemed to be agreeable to her. She appeared to be pleased to start me talking and sat with some fancy work in her hands listening. At that time I supposed a man entertaining to women to be one who could talk well. I have since learned that a good listener would be his most dangerous rival. But the lady did not seem to care to talk herself, leaving me to do it all.

This kind of chat about ideas is a very poor conductor for any warning of the heart. Love is not intellectual. A rhinoceros may love, but a rhinoceros is not a thinker. Birds love, but they don't reason as to where they will build their nest. Instinct tells them how and where to do that. I never made a start on saying anything tender. "To do so did not occur to me. A curate with nothing but a petty salary to make love to a girl with a fortune in her own right! I should expect to be turned out of the house and probably my parsonage at such presumption.

I received a call that would give me no more salary, but I considered the field a better one than the one I occupied. I wished to be a worker as well as a preacher. In the parish where I was there were few poor people and consequently little good to be done among those who most need, to my thinking, a clergyman. I accepted the call and the evening before my departure for my new field called upon the young lady who had shown so much appreciation of my intellectual endowments. I had come new and, as I thought, original points to bring up by which I hoped to leave a final impression.

In the midst of my presentation of my views my friend rose and asked to be excused for a few moments. I was a trifle put out, for I had reached an important turn in what I was saying. Since she did not return at once I cast about for something to look over while waiting. I sat beside a table, and on this table was a single book. Taking it up, I opened it. It was a trashy novel. Turning over the leaves, I came upon a piece of paper on which was written an unfinished note. I was about to put it aside when my eyes caught my own name.

Before my ideas of right had time to crystallize I had seen enough to compel me to see more. This is what I read:

"George Dunham goes away tomorrow, and my heart goes with him. I would be happy if he had said one word from the heart rather than millions from the brain. This waste of words!"

When the writer of this fragment returned I had risen and was looking out of the window. She resumed her seat as though she expected me to resume my intellectual discussion. Instead I fixed at her a whole blunderbuss load of the worst love twaddle man ever spoke to woman.

Before sending this story to the printer as "an incident from real life" I showed it to my wife. She read it through carefully. I watching her to note its effect upon her. I expected to see indications of surprise. I was disappointed.

"Stupid!" she exclaimed. "Do you mean to tell me it never occurred to you that I left that note there for you to see?"

THE SPEAKER'S MACE.

Ancient Emblem Used in the House of Representatives.

With all its dignity, its senatorial courtesy and the forms and ceremonies that always are observed, the senate is far behind the house of representatives in the matter of one antiquated piece of furniture. The senate has no mace. Now, a mace is not much in the way of furniture. It is a silver eagle mounted upon a staff around which are bands of silver.

This mace is always an emblem of the house of representatives. It is the duty of one employee to look after it. Just before a session of the house begins he takes it from the office of the sergeant-at-arms into the house chamber, and as soon as the speaker's gavel falls he inserts it in a socket in a stone pillar at the right of the speaker's chair. The mace remains there while the house is in session and is taken out and stood beside its pedestal when the house is in committee of the whole. When the house adjourns the mace is carried back to the office of the sergeant-at-arms.

This ancient emblem has not a thing to do with the order of business of the house, save as one of the old time regulations that are continued. When the house is turbulent an officer seizes the mace and walks through the aisles. Only once or twice when the speaker failed to preserve order have I seen an officer seize the mace and walk through the house, waving it backward and forward. Possibly the sight of it brought members to their senses and they retired to their seats. At all events, that is about the only real use for the mace that I ever have observed.—Washington Cor. St. Louis Star.

Lions and Tigers.
The lions and tigers wash themselves in exactly the same manner as the cat, wetting the dark, rubberlike ball of the fore foot and inner toe and passing it over the face and behind the ears. The foot is thus at the same time a face sponge and brush, and the rough tongue combs the rest of the body.

Coke Making.
Coke making is first recorded in July, 1036, by Sir John Evelyn, who writes in his diary of a "new project of charring sea coal to burn out the sulphur and render it sweet."

SHORT LOCALS

Eggs, 20c; butter, 22c.

Mr. Henry Lower of Buckeye City spent Monday in Sparta attending to some business matters.

Miss Sylvia Shaw of Mt. Vernon spent Saturday in Danville the guest of friends and relatives.

Miss Nellie Weaver has returned from a visit with relatives at Pittsburg.

Miss Blanch King of Howard spent Sunday in Centerburg the guest of friends.

Mr. Robert M. Greer went to Xenia this afternoon on business.

Mr. Harry Ling spent Sunday in Columbus the guest of friends.

Mr. E. P. Ralston of Oberlin spent Monday in Howard attending the funeral of the late Matthew Welsh.

Mrs. J. W. Williams and Mrs. J. A. Dalrymple returned to their homes in Chesterville Sunday morning after spending Saturday with relatives and friends in Mt. Vernon.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Church, Mrs. Charles Church and Mr. R. M. Church spent Sunday in Brandon the guests of relatives.

Mrs. George McNabb, Mr. and Mrs. George Critchfield, Mr. and Mrs. William Welsh and Mrs. Brent of this city attended the funeral of the late Matthew Welsh at Howard on Monday afternoon.

Mr. Frank Hunt of Columbus spent Sunday in Mt. Vernon the guest of his brother, Mr. J. C. Hunt of East Chestnut street.

Mrs. J. J. Feeney and Mrs. F. J. Mead spent Sunday in Columbus the guests of their mother, Mrs. Barbara Carle.

Mrs. John G. Jennings and daughter, Miss Caroline, of Wooster avenue went to Columbus Monday morning to spend the day.

Mr. Frederick Hagerman of East Burgess street left Monday morning for Houston, Texas, where he will make his future home.

Miss Lena Mitchell of East Lamartine street and Miss Faye Adams of Bangs are spending several days in Cleveland the guests of relatives and friends.

Mr. John J. Taugher has returned to his home on East Hamtramck street after spending several days in Youngstown attending to some business matters.

Special offer of the best triple plated knives and forks, standard world-wide brand, fully guaranteed, for \$2.98 per set at Arnold's china store.

On next Sunday morning a flock of carrier pigeons will be freed on the public square for a flight to Washington, D. C., if the weather is favorable.

Come! Come! Attend the administrator's sale of fine oak mantles at Back's furniture store. West Gambler street.

Dr. F. C. Larimore went to Utica Monday morning on business.

Lawn mowers \$2.98 and up. Woolson's department store.

Mr. John Kingsfield of Akron spent Sunday in Mt. Vernon, the guest of friends and relatives.

Mrs. Albert Whitney of Danville spent Saturday with friends in Mt. Vernon.

Screen doors 90c and up. Woolson's department store.

Mrs. William Cole of Cleveland is spending several days with relatives and friends in Danville.

Adjustable window screens 75c to 45c. Woolson's department store.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Ralston of Danville spent Sunday with relatives and friends in Howard.

Screen wire, black and rust proof, all widths, Woolson's.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Long and daughter, Sara, of Mt. Vernon spent Sunday with friends near Brandon.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Cuenot and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Howes of Danville spent Sunday in Millwood, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Hammond.

Hammocks; see the big assortment. 98c and up at Woolson's department store.

Mr. William F. Rimer went to Utica Monday noon to attend to some business matters.

Mr. Robert Hull of South Vernon has accepted a position with the Goodrich Rubber Co. of Akron.

Mr. Joseph Myers of this city went to Columbus Monday morning to attend to some business matters.

Judge J. B. Waite of East High street went to Columbus Monday morning on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jacobs and family of Mt. Vernon spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George Barker of Brandon.

Miss Hazel Sargent is spending several days in Mt. Vernon the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Lemaster of East Burgess street.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Hunter of Brandon and Miss Lela Bishop of Centerburg spent Sunday with relatives in Homer.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Baxter and daughter, Ruth, of Brandon spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bell of near Mt. Vernon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Higgins and daughter, Bernice, of South Vernon spent Sunday with relatives and friends in Utica.

Mrs. Allen Jackson returned to her home in Bangs Sunday evening after a week's visit with her sister, Mrs. Roy Moore of Brandon.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Burris of this city underwent an operation for a cleft palate at the Mt. Vernon hospital on Friday morning.

Mrs. Alice Stamp returned home today from Baltimore and was accompanied by her grandchildren, Philip and Alice Haas.

Mr. and Mrs. Judson Ball left Monday afternoon for Montreal, Canada, where they will sail on Wednesday for a trip through Europe and to see the Passion Play.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chase and family of Pleasant township spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Higgins, who reside just south of Brandon.

Jacob Aleck, who was injured several days ago by falling down a flight of stairs at the Sanderson garage, was taken from his home on South Main street to the Mt. Vernon hospital for treatment Sunday afternoon in Chappellear & Co's. ambulance.

Compare carefully yourself before making your selection of wall paper and you will see the advantage of buying paper at Arnold's. Choice patterns, greatest variety in every grade, and lowest prices. Privilege of returning any or all. Bring in your measurements and see the styles and get estimates of cost.

Mr. O. C. Hagan, who was injured a few days ago, underwent a severe operation Saturday afternoon performed by Dr. Larimore and Dr. Singrey. His condition is said to be quite serious.

Mrs. Dallas Carver was taken to her home in Sparta Monday afternoon after a two weeks' treatment at the Mt. Vernon hospital. Mrs. Carver's condition is serious and there has not been much change during her stay at the hospital.

Mrs. Bonnell left Monday morning for her home in Marietta after a several days' visit with relatives and friends in Mt. Vernon and Brandon. She was accompanied by her daughter and two grandchildren who will spend several days in Marietta.

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Mr. Daniel Zelsloft, one of the pioneer citizens of Mt. Vernon, is critically ill at his home of drooping and his death is soon expected. His daughter has been called here from Akron and his grandson Daniel Zelsloft Jr. of New York is also here.

Miss Grace Headington attended the class play at Centerburg Friday night and spent Sunday with Miss Ellen Rinehart of that place.

Mr. H. W. Devalon of New York City spent Saturday and Sunday in Mt. Vernon, the guest of his sister, Mrs. S. E. Tiebe of East Burgess street and his nephew, Mr. Justin Devalon of South Vernon.

Mrs. Cora Spitzer desires to thank her dear friends for the many, many post cards, letters of sympathy, beautiful flowers and delicacies which she received during her recent illness, from friends in Mt. Vernon and Knox county. Words cannot express her appreciation, and as it is impossible to personally acknowledge the gifts she takes this means of thanking them.

OBITUARY

The Welsh Funeral

The funeral of the late Matthew Welsh, who died at his home in Monroe township on Saturday morning, occurred at the late residence on Monday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Rev. A. B. Williams of Mt. Vernon officiating, assisted by Rev. Helm of Edward, Interment in the Valley Cemetery near Monroe Mills.

Charles C. Burns

Charles C. Burns died at his home in Fredericktown on Saturday afternoon at about four-thirty o'clock after a two months' illness caused by softening of the brain. He was fifty-two years of age at the time of his death and is survived by his wife, one daughter, Mattie Burns of Fredericktown, and one brother. The funeral at the house Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock. Rev. Hamby of Fredericktown officiating. Interment in Forest cemetery.

Aaron Burr Sears

Aaron Burr Sears died at his home in South Bloomfield Monday morning at about seven o'clock after a several weeks' illness of diseases incident to old age. He was eighty-one years of age at the time of his death and is survived by his wife, two sons and one daughter.

Charles Scott

Charles Scott died at his home in Monroe township at 6 o'clock Sunday evening of tuberculosis of the bowels after an illness of several weeks. The deceased was 47 years of age and is survived by his wife and two children, also three brothers. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Scott, both deceased. The funeral Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, sun time, at the Ebenezer church, the Rev. Mr. Peebles officiating. Interment in the Ebenezer cemetery.

WILL OCCUR SOON

All Maccabees are requested to meet at the lodge room Monday evening at 7 o'clock for special review.

The Sons of Veterans Auxiliary will meet in regular session in the G. A. R. hall Tuesday evening and a full attendance is desired. Sons of Veterans and G. A. R. are always welcome.

Annual memorial services will be observed in the M. P. church at Bangs on next Sunday at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon. The sermon will be delivered by the Rev. H. M. Peebles. All arrangements have been made for a splendid service and everybody is invited to come and do honor to the old veterans.

The city council meets this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

The L. C. B. A. will hold a reception this evening May 23, in the K. of C. Hall. All members are cordially invited.

DIFFICULT SCRIPTURES ON HELL

A little book selling at only ten cents, postpaid, is having a very wide circulation—running up into the millions. It contains some very startling information respecting the meaning of the word Hell. It claims to demonstrate, both from the Hebrew and the Greek of our Bible, that Hell is not a place of eternal torment, but merely another name for the tomb, the grave, the state of death. It effects to show that man was not redeemed from a far-off place of eternal torture, but quotes the Scriptures proving that he was redeemed from the grave at the cost of his Redeemer's life and that the Scriptural hope, both for the church and the world, is a resurrection hope based upon the death and resurrection of Jesus. The book is certainly worth the reading. The information it furnishes is certainly valuable, far beyond its trifling cost. Order it at once from the Bible and Tract Society, 17 Hicks St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

SUTTLES

Now In County Jail On More Serious Charge

One Which Provides Life In Penitentiary

If Found Guilty--Hearing Not Arranged

Charles Suttles, who was arrested last Saturday on a charge of an attempt to rape little Elsie Lepley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Lepley of near Gambier, is now confined in the county jail on a more serious charge.

On Monday Mr. Lepley appeared before Squire George S. Harter and swore to an affidavit charging Suttles with attempting to rape a girl under twelve years of age, this being under a statute which provides penitentiary for life for the person convicted. The charge on which Suttles was formerly arrested simply specified assault with attempt to rape and not give the age limit and under that charge if convicted he would only be compelled to serve a term sentence in the penitentiary.

Suttles was arrested at his home near Gambier Monday morning by Constable Simpkins and locked up in the county jail to await a preliminary hearing before the justice.

MT. VERNON

Men Speeded Their Automobile In Medina

And The Affair Cost Them About \$19

The marshal of Medina arrived in the city Monday afternoon with an execution against Charles Chaney amounting to nearly \$19.00. It appears that a week or more ago Mr. Chaney and J. C. Tinkey of this city were going to Cleveland in an automobile and the former was arrested in Medina for violating the speed ordinance. Chaney was brought before the mayor and was fined \$5 and costs. Mr. Tinkey paid the fine by signing a check, but when he reached Mt. Vernon he stopped payment on the check. Hence the execution was issued and the marshal came here Monday to collect the fine and costs. In the mayor's court Monday afternoon Mr. Tinkey paid the fine and costs in the case, which amounted to \$19 on account of the extra costs in the case in the marshal coming here with the execution.

KEG PARTY

In Boarding House Results In Two Arrests

For Intoxication On Sunday Afternoon

Two men answering to the names of Hoy Tewksberry and Walter Mott, were arrested by the police on Sunday afternoon for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. They were brought before Mayor Mitchell Monday morning and on entering a plea of guilty were given a fine and costs. Tewksberry was sent back to jail, while Mott made provisions for the payment of his fine. It seems that the latter is the landlord of a boarding house in the city and on every Sunday, he in company with the guests, hold a keg party and on this occasion, they became so full of beer that a general rough house was started and as a result, Mrs. Mott became involved and was struck by her husband. She did not appear against him on Monday morning, however, and the only charge against him was drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

The Transferred Groat.
Times have changed, the old folks say. And turned some ways more subtle. It isn't the board that groans today. It's the man who supplies the table.
—Boston Transcript.

Kindness to Animals.
"I belong to the Audubon society."
"That's nice. What did you do at your last meeting?"
"We passed a resolution against vivisectioning cuckoo clocks."—Cleveland Leader.

Impressing the Public.
"A statesman never looks really impressive," said the student of human nature, "unless he has a distinctive beard or mustache or a bald head."
"I suppose," replied the suffragette contemptuously, "that you are trying to think up another silly reason why women should not go into politics."
—New York Journal.

FLY TIME

As the weather warms up the flies come, and from the evidence of modern investigation bring more disease than any other one thing.

Therefore it is necessary to build barriers against them.

Screen Doors and Windows

will make a home much pleasanter and safer, and the expense of is very small considering the advantage that comes from screening the house.

We have screen doors from 90c up and screen windows to match. We shall be very glad to show you our stock.

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Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

GRANGE

Adopts Resolutions Regarding Hitching Rings

At a meeting of Pomona Grange last Saturday the following was presented by a committee composed of Messrs. D. B. Kerr, J. B. Morton and John McGugin, and was adopted:

Whereas, The hitching facilities in Mt. Vernon are not satisfactory to the farmers of Knox county, Ohio; and

Whereas, To trade in Mt. Vernon it seems necessary for the farmer to hold his team while his wife does her trading, and then the wife to hold the team while the man does his trading; therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Knox County Pomona Grange that the farmers are fully justified in sending to Chicago, or mail-order houses anywhere, for their goods. Be it further

Resolved, That we approve the efforts of the Citizens' association of Mt. Vernon to have the hitching rings replaced.

HARRISON GRANGE

Adopts Resolutions On Better Hitching Facilities

Gambier, O., May 21, 1910.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted by Harrison Grange May 21, 1910:

Whereas, The hitching facilities of Mt. Vernon are inadequate; therefore be it

Resolved, That we very respectfully urge the Citizens' Association of Mt. Vernon to use their best efforts to provide ample hitching facilities; and be it further

Resolved, That the farmers of Knox county are justified in sending to mail order houses until we do have hitching facilities in Mt. Vernon.

Respectfully,
JOHN GIFFIN, Sec.

Society News

Frost-Fockler Wedding

Mr. Ray Frost, employed at the Bridge Works, and May Fockler, a Red Cross nurse with the American Salvation Army, were united in marriage Saturday afternoon at the American Salvation Army chapel on South Mulberry street. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. D. A. Morris, assistant pastor of the Gay street M. E. church.

To Entertain With Dance

The members of the Phi Sigma Chi fraternity have sent out invitations for a dance to be held at Lake Hiawatha park on Friday evening, May 27.

Our Great Sale Still Continues

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